



NOBLE PARK PS

FROM THE PRINCIPALS DESK: Monday 30th October 2023

World Teachers' Day

We celebrated World Teachers' Day this week! World Teachers' Day is celebrated in October every year to honour and appreciate the invaluable contributions of teachers worldwide. This day recognises the dedication, hard work, and passion of educators who play a vital role in shaping the future of our society. It serves as a reminder of the importance of quality education and the need to support and empower teachers in their mission to impart knowledge and inspire the next generation.

To celebrate this special day at Noble Park Primary School, the Student Representative Council created unique and beautiful crowns for every teacher. At assembly and during a special lunch, the crowns were presented to each teacher which was very much appreciated. This is how our School Representative Council members describe our dedicated teaching staff.

Helena is nice, pretty and kind. She is also very helpful.

Peri is caring, thoughtful and funny.

Mirela is kind, smart and really good at maths.

Shu Ting is smart, funny, caring and very helpful.

Robyn is nice, helpful and kind.

Fa is amazing. She helps you in the classroom and has great ideas.

Chris is dedicated, active and makes great games for us to play.

Mr K is creative. He makes jokes and is very funny.

Kathy is always happy, honest and kind. She is also creative in Art.

Michelle is a good leader at the school. She is hardworking and cares about us.

Denis is new to our school. She is smart and has nice prizes.

Danielle is cool and funny.

Kirsty is talented. She likes music and singing.



Mel is nice and helpful. She helps me finish my work.

Mitch looks after the students. He is also very strong.

Susie is dedicated, passionate and funny.

Dom is smart and helpful.

Tess is caring, funny and helpful.

Madi is nice, caring and funny.

Greater Dandenong Children Advisory Conference

This week, four student representatives experienced a very rewarding and successful day at the Children Advisory Conference - Springvale Town Hall. Several workshops ran over the day. Our students participated in the following workshops: Workshop 1: The students participated in groups to discuss programs the local libraries may run for the community.

Workshop 2: Sustainability - Waste

Workshop 3: Sustainability - Climate change superheroes

The day ended with an inspirational speech by a guest speaker who focused on the benefits of the Childrens Advisory Group. There was also a children's forum guest speaker - Danya. Danya is a Year 12 student who has taken the opportunity to participate in several leadership positions that have taken her all the way to Parliament!



The following is an outline of her speech:

- ✓ *"It's easy to stand in the crowd but it takes courage to stand alone"* Mahatma Gandhi
- ✓ Opportunities – Children in Parliament & Youth in Parliament. What was the most valuable thing you took from the youth parliament? Never say no to opportunities that can open new doors.
- ✓ Being a leader has helped to develop the ability to face rejection, reflect, review and move forward.
- ✓ Empowering students to consider how they can make changes.
- ✓ Encouraging students to find their voice.
- ✓ A good leader takes opportunities, knows their style of leadership and puts themselves in the right environment.



Noble Park Primary School Vision and Values Program Update

During Week 2, the students were engaged in authentic learning opportunities that focused on identifying the Values that they think are important at Noble Park Primary School. As a school we wanted to ensure student voice and agency, while bringing our school Values to life. These are the Values that the students have identified as being the most important at our school.

- Be Respectful
- Be Responsible
- Be Kind
- Be Safe



During Week 3, staff were asked to identify four Values that they think are important at our school just like the students. We had an amazing response to this survey which has given us a deeper insight into what is important for our students and staff. Later this week, parents and carers will also be provided with a survey (in both hard and soft copy) asking for feedback about the Values. We are looking forward to hearing from you!

As the Vision and Values program continues, the students, with the support of their teachers, will bring the Noble Park Primary School Values to life through a creative experience. These creative representations of our Values will be presented to the whole school community during our Vision and Values Launch.



Safe play

To ensure safe play is in place at our school, the NPPS Matrix of Expectations highlights the expected behaviour *'we keep our hands and feet to ourselves'*. When playing team games such as soccer, AFL, touch rugby and basketball, tackling and play fighting are not appropriate. Please remind your child/ren about safe play.

Parking Restrictions and Road Safety

The safety of our students, parents, carers and staff is a priority at Noble Park Primary School. Together we can create a safer environment by following parking restrictions and practising road safety. To ensure the safety of our students and wider community, parking restrictions are in place on Buckley Street (8am – 9am & 2:30pm - 4pm) and Leonard Avenue (7:45am – 9:15am & 2:45pm – 4pm).



General Reminders for Parents and Carers

Please ensure that your child/ren:

- brings a plastic water bottle to school. Glass water bottles are breakable and if they shatter it can pose a safety risk to students and staff.
- do not bring Lollipops to school. If a person, especially a child, is not careful while walking or running, they could accidentally swallow or choke on the lollipop itself or the stick. Choking on small objects is a serious safety concern.
- do not bring chewing gum to school. Chewing gum can pose health and safety risks. It can also damage school property because it is challenging to remove from surfaces. This can lead to maintenance and repair costs.

Public Holiday Term 4

Please take note that **Tuesday 7th November is a Public Holiday**. Students do not attend school on this day.

Curriculum Day Term 4

The following curriculum day has been endorsed by School Council.

- **Monday 20th November is a curriculum day**. Students do not attend on this day. Our Patch will be available.

Whole School Assembly

Term 4 Whole School Assemblies will take place on the following dates:

- Friday 10th November @ 3pm
- Friday 24th November @ 3pm
- Friday 8th December @ 3pm
- Monday 18th December (Final Assembly) @ 2:45pm



Until next time, stay safe and take care.

Jodie Pyman
Principal



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What's happening in the Senior Learning House?



Market Manoeuvres Incursion

The students are learning about Economics and participated in an incursion where they explored needs and wants and the impact of supply and demand.

Ardoch - Learning through Lunch

The Year 6 students went to William Angliss Restaurant and experienced a fine dining experience with a two-course meal. They met chefs and hospitality staff. By doing so, the students learnt about what their jobs entailed.



Visit to Noble Park Secondary College

The Senior Learning House students have visited the local Secondary College as part of our transition program. The students had the opportunity to tour the campus, meet teachers and participate in classes. This has enabled them to gain an insight into what it will be like to be a secondary student. It has also helped our students become familiar with a new educational environment before attending secondary school.

